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## Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office Helps Bring Domestic Violence Offenders to Justice

*Milwaukee*- October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. As part of a national campaign targeting domestic violence suspects, law enforcement agencies conducted warrant sweeps. The National Family Violence Apprehension Detail, a consortium of police departments organized the efforts. There is no place in our society for domestic violence.

Locally, the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office conducted a warrant sweep, "Operation Safe Abode". Detectives arrested 23 suspects with outstanding warrants for domestic violence and other related crimes. Milwaukee County Sheriff David A. Clarke has made it clear that perpetrators of violence *will* be held accountable for their actions.

## According to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence:

- 1 in 4 women will experience domestic violence during their lifetime.
- Studies show that where there is domestic abuse, there is usually child abuse too.
- The cycle begins: Men who witness domestic violence as children are <u>twice</u> as likely to abuse their own partners and children.
- One study revealed that recent exposure to violence in the home was a significant factor in predicting a child's violent behavior.

Other participating agencies included Cudahy Police Department, Greendale Police Department, Hales Corners Police Department, Milwaukee Police Department, South Milwaukee Police Department and the State Department of Probation and Parole.